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The Norwegian steamship *Thor*, which has, we have already reported, sailed from San Francisco for the Orient on November 1, with 181 passengers, was discovered about 30 miles from Honolulu on November 15th. Captain O. A. Hansen, the master, and 11 members of the crew, reached Honolulu in lifeboats. Another lifeboat, with other members of the crew, is missing, according to the latest Honolulu newspapers. The U. S. steamer *Albatross* had been picked up one of the *Thor*'s crew was killed of the crew.

The storm that sent the *Thor* to the bottom of the Pacific had been raging for almost two weeks, crippling the steamship *Tuscar*, which limped into Honolulu from Manila, and shaking other vessels.

Captain Hansen said that the survivors of the *Thor* were injured terribly from exposure, thirst, and seasickness, but that they were safe in the open boat in which they found their way to Honolulu. The *Albatross* returned to Honolulu, the steamer *Albatross* and the *Albatross* are now en route for Honolulu.

The *Thor* was wrecked off the coast of Hawaii, about 30 miles from Honolulu, on November 15th.

WARNING - RISK OF FIRE

WAR AIMS OF THE ALLIES.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

[The following is the continuation of Mr. Lloyd George's statement of British war aims. The first part of the speech will be found on page 3.]

SELF-DETERMINATION BY THE COLONIES.

While we do not challenge the maintenance of the Turkish Empire in the home lands of the Turkish race, with its capital at Constantinople, nor the passage between the Mediterranean and the Black Sea being internationalised and neutralised, Arabia, Armenia, and Mesopotamia are, in our judgment, entitled to recognition of their separate national conditions. The exact form of such recognition in each particular case need not here be discussed, beyond stating that it will be impossible to restore those territories to their former sovereignty. Regarding the German Colonies, I have repeatedly declared that they are to be held at the disposal of the Conference whose decision must have primary regard to the wishes and interests of the native inhabitants. None of these territories are inhabited by Europeans; therefore the governing consideration in all these cases must be that the inhabitants should be placed under the control of an administration acceptable to themselves, one of whose main purposes will be to prevent their exploitation for the benefit of European capitalists or Governments. The natives live in their various tribal organisations under chiefs and councils who are competent to consult and speak for their tribes and members, and thus to represent their wishes and interests regarding their disposal. The general principle of national self-determination, therefore, is as applicable in their cases as in those of occupied European territories. The German declaration that the natives of German Colonies have, through their military fidelity in war, shown their attachment and resolve under all circumstances to remain with Germany is applicable not to German Colonies generally, but only to one of them, namely, German East Africa, and in that case the German authorities secured the attachment not of the native population as a whole, which is and remains profoundly anti-German, but only of small warlike classes from whom their askaris or soldiers were selected. These they attached to themselves by conferring on them a highly privileged position as against the bulk of the native population which enabled the askaris to assume a lordly oppressive superiority over the rest of the natives. By this and other means they secured the attachment of a very small and insignificant minority whose interests directly opposed those of the rest of the population and for whom they have no right to speak. The German treatment of the native populations of their colonies has been such as amply justified their fear of submitting the future of those colonies to the wishes of the natives themselves.

REPARATION FOR VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW.

Finally, here must be reparation for the injuries done by violation of international law. The Peace Conference must not forget our seamen, the services they have rendered, and the outrages they have suffered for the common cause of Freedom.

QUESTION OF PERMANENT PEACE.

Mr. Lloyd George regarded it as especially regrettable that the recently reported proposals of the Central Powers did not contain a reference to permanent peace after the war. It is desirable, indeed essential, that the post-war settlement should not contain the seed of a future war. But that is not enough. However wisely and well we make territorial and other arrangements there will still remain many subjects of international controversy. Economic conditions after the war will be difficult in the highest degree. Owing to the diversion

of human effort to war there must follow a world shortage of raw materials which will increase the longer the war lasts. It is inevitable that the countries controlling raw materials will desire to help themselves and their friends first. Moreover, whatever settlement is made will be suitable only to the circumstances under which it is made and as circumstances change, changes in the settlement will be necessary. As long as the possibility of dispute between nations continues—in other words, as long as men and women are dominated by passion and ambition and war is the only means of settling a dispute, all nations must live under a burden not only of having to engage in war from time to time, but of being compelled to prepare for its possible outbreak. The crushing weight of modern armaments, the increasing cost of compulsory military service, the vast waste of wealth and effort involved in warlike preparation—these are blot on our civilisation of which every thinking individual must be ashamed. For these and similar reasons we are confident that a great attempt must be made to establish, by some international organisation, an alternative to war as a means of settling international disputes. After all, wars are a relic of barbarism, and just as law succeeded violence in individual disputes, so we believe, it is destined ultimately to replace war in the settlement of controversies between nations.

THREE CONDITIONS.

If, then, we are asked what we are fighting for we reply, as we have often replied: For a just and lasting peace, and we believe that before peace can be hoped for, three conditions must be fulfilled:—
Firstly.—The sanctity of treaties must be re-established.
Secondly.—Territorial settlement must be secured and based on the right of self-determination, or consent of the governed.
Lastly.—We must seek by the creation of some international organisation to limit the burden of armaments and diminish the probability of war.

On these conditions the British Empire would welcome peace. To secure these conditions its peoples are prepared to make even greater sacrifice than they have yet endured.

LORD LANSLOWNE'S SATISFACTION WITH THE SPEECH.

LONDON, Jan. 6.
Lord Lansdowne, in an interview, expressed satisfaction that Mr. Lloyd George had affirmed in the most distinct terms the principle that Great Britain had never aimed at the destruction of Germany as a great power, but rather at turning her aside from her hopes and schemes of military domination. He agreed with the Premier in believing that a just and lasting peace could only be based on the three conditions specified by the Premier and that the acceptance of these conditions by Germany would imply that her old spirit of military domination had been finally exorcised. Such an acceptance would be in itself an admission of defeat.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

HONGKONG AND CHINA DISTRICT.
Guard of Honour.
The Corps will provide a Guard of Honour to receive H. E. the Governor at the University on Wednesday, the 9th inst.
Ball in Queen's College at 3.45 p.m.
Dance—Helmets, hats, short, puttees.
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GROUP.

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THE WAR.

SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING.
YESTERDAY'S SERVICES.

Special services were held in the local Churches yesterday in accordance with the King's desire that the day should be set apart as a special day of thanksgiving and prayer, and large congregations were present at each service.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.
At St. John's Cathedral the special service was held in the morning, the Bishop of Victoria presiding, assisted by the Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, (Military Chaplain) the Rev. F. G. B. Hastings, (Naval Chaplain) the Rev. Copley Moyle (Chaplain of the Cathedral) and the Rev. H. G. E. Griffiths (Assistant Chaplain).

During the service a collection was taken in aid of the Miners' Welfare Fund which amounted to \$1,235.80.
The congregation included His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, Commodore Sandeman R.N., Sir James Stewart Lockhart, The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Sir William Ross Davies, K.C., Mr. Justice Gompertz, the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharpe K.C., and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Helyar, and also a large number of officers and men of both Services.

In connection with the Special prayers used at the service the names of the Hongkong men who have fallen in the war were read out as follows:—
J. E. Gresson, R. G. Munro, C. C. F. Cunningham and J. H. Bone (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.)
A. N. Joeland, Leonard Gull, P. Richardson (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire).
C. N. G. Walker (Messrs. Gilman & Co.)

A. C. F. Elborough (Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation).
H. E. Victor (Public Shortland writer and journalist).
E. G. Painting, P. B. Gardner, H. G. Wakeford, A. W. Alborough, R. H. Coote, E. Carpenter, R. Edwards, E. Drury, H. Wilson and E. C. Sillick (Police).
W. J. May (Prison Department).
A. R. Stokes (Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston).
A. E. Shewan (Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.)
A. D. Bailey (Messrs. David Sassoon & Co.)
L. O. Collins, A. Hirst and E. Cruickshank (Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.)
A. L. Macdonald.
Ben Chapman (Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son).
E. F. G. Orchard (Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.)
F. M. Scores, K. R. Forde, W. H. Church and E. A. Morris.

The Bishop of Victoria in his address, said that the King had called the whole nation to prayer. They were to seek a clear understanding of the issue at stake. They were not fighting for territory or power to tyrannise over other people or to punish in any vindictive spirit the wrong doers; they were seeking to defend the principles of liberty and justice. Of late, there had been too much conventional religion, though one hoped there had been more national righteousness. Some blamed the Clergy for not being in touch with modern thought and some blamed the Laity for being too worldly. It was not time to blame one another, they all alike needed to come back to God; who promised His special presence where one or two were gathered together. How should they approach God? The King said it must be in a spirit of reverent obedience; in a humble spirit. There must be an element of humiliation in the national day of prayer, not because they were fighting for such a cause but because, in the past, they had not obeyed the laws of God. The cause which led to the strife might be German lust of power, but not entirely. Our own past history had many stains. They must not measure themselves by their enemies or by themselves, but by the great example of Christ. Then they would be constrained to see their shortcomings. If complete victory had been given at the commencement of the war it might have done the national character more harm than good. They knew that God's cause was advancing. Scripture prophecies were being fulfilled and His Kingdom of Righteousness and Peace would certainly come, and if they made known their requests to him, His peace would keep their hearts and thoughts.

Referring to the collection for mine sweepers, the Bishop said that if it should amount to \$5,000 it might provide a mine sweeper unit, which might be named "The Hongkong Unit". To any case, every dollar was wanted for the mine sweepers. Let it be a real offering, he said, worthy of their National Day of Thanksgiving and Prayer.

In connection with the collection taken at the special service at St. John's Cathedral yesterday at St. John's Cathedral, the Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, (Military Chaplain) the Rev. F. G. B. Hastings, (Naval Chaplain) the Rev. Copley Moyle (Chaplain of the Cathedral) and the Rev. H. G. E. Griffiths (Assistant Chaplain).

UNION CHURCH.

At Union Church, in the evening there was a large attendance including His Excellency the Governor, Commodore Sandeman R.N., Lieut. Colonel Thursby-Pellham representing the General Officer Commanding, Sir William Ross Davies K.C. Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharpe K.C. and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Helyar.

The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald who, at the opening read the Royal Proclamation, after which there were special hymns and prayers, the service concluding with the singing of the National Anthem in which the following was substituted for the second verse:—

"God save our splendid men,
Send them home again,
Keep them victorious, patient and cheerful,
They are so dear to us,
God save our men."

During the service a collection was made in aid of the Prisoners of War Fund.

For his address, the Rev. Mr. Macdonald took for his text the 6th verse of the 47th Chapter of Jeremiah:—

"O thou sword of the Lord, how long will it be ere thou be quiet? put thyself up into the scabbard; rest, and be still. How canst thou be quiet, seeing the Lord hath given thee a charge against Ashkelon, and against the seashore? There He hath appointed it."

After pointing out how the picture sketched by the prophecies of Jeremiah could be applied to the condition of the nations in the altered world, the preacher referred to Mr. Asquith's statement early in the war, that having reluctantly drawn the sword we would not sheathe it until certain objects had been attained. No utterance, since the war, could, he thought, have been more often quoted. The Royal message urged that they should pray for clear sightedness and the strength necessary for victory. He did not read that as implying only that they required a quick perceptive mind for adapting material means to the end in view. What they needed was clarity of vision lest the end itself be obscured and the least potent source of obstruction was war weariness. After forty months of effort they had nothing to be ashamed of in war weariness so long as it did not mean weariness in well doing. It was never war weariness that would make us descend from our post, for that post was in the vanguard of Humanity's unceasing struggle against the anti-Christ, a struggle in which humanity had never failed of final victory, though always on the verge of seeming defeat. On that day there was no occasion to apologise for viewing the great question in its religious light; it was for that purpose they had assembled there. Yet he thought he spoke for all, certainly as for his own part, in shrinking from over-land, and over-confident claims that "God is on our side" in any sense or degree because it is ours, as though we had some sort of proprietary claim on the assistance of heaven due to our deservings. Mr. Lloyd George did well to warn his countrymen against imagining that victory was always their appointed portion. Still there was such a thing as having God on their side but not to save them effort. There was such a thing as being on God's side, and that was the happy portion of every man who strives for right. Unless their prayers led them to fuller consecration they were futile. They could not by offering prayers, make God a means to their end.

Concluding, the preacher said that we were living in morally perilous security in this Colony and must feel that we had small right, in one sense, to take upon our lips the words of brave and chivalrous determination, for it was not us, in our own proper persons, who bore the brunt. We were keenly conscious of that, yet, some must be here to keep open this distant outpost of imperial influence and commerce. We did not know that demands might yet be made on us, but whatever they were we were ready to meet them, and participate in the "further sacrifices" to be made. God seemed to say, "Hark to your immediate obligation and wait, ere thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee."

The collection taken on behalf of the "Prisoners of War" Fund, amounted to \$271.88. The Pastor of the Church, Mr. S. D. Coulson, will be glad to receive any further contributions.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

In the Roman Catholic Cathedral there was a low Pontifical Mass with special music at 9.30 a.m. the Rev. Father Walsh presiding. At 10.30 the Litany of the Saints was sung, followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

In his address, Father Walsh said that people were asking in these days, what was wrong with the world? Nations that knew and loved the Prince of Peace were fighting one another in a conflict so bitter that the "greatest" war of history read like child's play in comparison. There was hardly a person who was not affected and the great music of other days was running into the minor chords of a universal lamentation. And yet they were requested to express to God their thanksgiving and their prayer. Why thank God if the world was wrong? God's world could not be wrong. God was the heavens and all was well. He knew who were culpably responsible for the havoc that was being wrought. In the meantime his power was keeping the earth in its orbit and the sun in its place. It was true that he was allowing men to suffer, but that was not God's action. He made men free and men had abused His gifts. Yet out of suffering, He was bringing good; making, to this war, God's way. Many a sinner, but few sinners, had been brought to God by suffering. Already millions of sinners

come through the world war, and they thanked God for those and others that were certain to come. They were not thinking deeply enough about the war, its causes and its remedy, or they would raise their hearts more often to God and ask him to intervene that peace might again settle upon the world. This war must be more to them than the loss of personal comforts; more than their own nation's welfare. They should mount to a height and see beyond their little selves all the nations of this earth destined by Him to add to His glory and the happiness of men. Then with pure hearts they should pray and pay often by prayers and supplication with thanksgiving, let your petitions be made known to God.

The Rev. Father Walsh, later in the day, spoke at St. Joseph's Church.

PARISH COMMUNITY.

A special service was held by Parishes yesterday at 10 a.m. in their place of worship in Egin Street. The Priest conducted the "Javan" ceremony and offered special prayers for success of the British arms. Ladies also attended.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

Daily meetings are being held in connection with the Week of Prayer at the Helena May Institute and it has been found necessary to re-arrange the speakers. The meeting to-day is being conducted by Major A. T. Walsley, the subject being Thanksgiving and Confession. To-morrow Tuesday it will be conducted by the Bishop of Victoria, subject, Nations and their Rulers. On Thursday the meeting will be conducted by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, subject, Missions in Non-Christian lands: Friday by the Rev. H. Anderson, subject, Families, Schools, Colleges and the young. All the above are at 5.30 p.m. On Saturday the meeting will be at 12 noon, conducted by the Rev. T. W. Pearce, subject Home Missions and the Jews.

ALLEGED BOGUS LOTTERY SCHEME.

Thirteen Chinese are being charged at the Mixed Court, Shanghai, before American Assessor Perkins and Magistrate Wong with fraud by means of a bogus lottery. The prosecution states that the accused are concerned in the running of an institution known as the "Industrial Lottery," supposed to be organised for the benefit of the relief work in Tientsin.

The prosecution further alleges that circular letters have been distributed throughout the country, in Manila, in the Straits Settlements and even in the United States, appealing for funds. The police have seized numerous lottery tickets and bills at 236 Kowloon Road and 244 Alabaster Road, where the accused were arrested. Mr. E. E. Newman is prosecuting, while Messrs. Ross and Rice represent the defence.

SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. Ibert and Co's Piece Goods Market Report says:—
The week has been so broken up by holidays that there is little object in issuing a Market Report except to keep our records up to date. Very little business has been possible but buyers appear to be less nervous and have been able to pay advanced prices all round for goods after the Chinese New Year made. The bidding at the weekly auctions also points to returning confidence and it is said that the exceedingly low prices now prevailing are giving rise to a certain amount of speculative buying for resale after the Chinese New Year holidays, when, if the political situation continues to improve, a material advance in values may be confidently looked for.

The "N. C. Daily News" says:—
Owing to the severe cold the water has frozen in most of the inland streams in this province, causing much delay in boat traffic. Many crafts from Changchow and Wusieh laden with rice, and foot-propelled letter boats from inland towns have not reached Shanghai. The stocks of foodstuffs are reported to be running low. Rice has advanced 30 to 40 cents per picul.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (R.).

1. The whole of No. 3 Company, Ambulance, Bicycle, and Buglers and Drummers are ordered to parade at Central Station at 4.30 p.m. sharp on Tuesday, January 8th, to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Un Kam Wa.

This funeral is compulsory. Uniform, helmets and rifles. The parade of this unit on Wednesday, January 9th is hereby cancelled. 2. As many Chief and Staff Inspectors and Inspectors and Sergeants of other units as can conveniently attend are requested to parade at the same time and place. Inspectors will wear Belts and Swords. Sergeants will carry rifles.

DISCIPLINARY BOARD.
The sitting of the Disciplinary Board ordered for Tuesday, January 8th, is postponed to Thursday, January 10th at 5.30 p.m. Discipline Officers concerned will be present. Details and witnesses accordingly.

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LADIES' GOLF.
CHAMPIONSHIP.
The result of the first two rounds is as follows:—
Mrs. Maitland (1) W.O.
Mrs. J. Rodger beat (1) Mrs. McKenny and (2) Mrs. Maitland.
Mrs. Manning beat (1) Mrs. Fleming and (2) W.O.
Mrs. Pearce beat (1) Miss Robertson and (2) scratched.
Miss Wilkinson beat (1) Miss M. Rodger and (2) Mrs. Hancock.
Mrs. Hancock (1) W.O.
Mrs. Adam beat (1) Mrs. Milner Jones and (2) Mrs. Stewart.
Mrs. Stewart beat (1) Mrs. Crawford.
The third round is to be played off on or before 16th inst.

RAILWAY COP.
The Draw for the 1st round is as follows:—
Mrs. Draper bye.
Mrs. Wakeman.
Mrs. Reiter.
Miss Ritchie plays Miss Wilkinson.
Mrs. Crawford plays Mrs. Morrison.
Mrs. Middleton Smith plays Mrs. Manning.
Mrs. Maitland plays Miss Gordon.
Mrs. Moore plays Mrs. Bewick.
Mrs. Ritchie plays Mrs. Ewart.
Mrs. Looker plays Miss E. Rodger.
Mrs. Fleming plays Mrs. Stewart.
Mrs. McKenny plays Mrs. Gooden.
Miss Wootton bye.
Mrs. Pearce.
Mrs. Adams.
Mrs. Taylor.

1st round to be played on or before Jan. 16th; 2nd round before Jan. 24th; 3rd round before Feb. 1st; 4th round before Feb. 1st and 5th round before Mar. 1st.

The annual meeting for the election of the handicapping committee for 1918 will be held on the 11th inst. at 10.30 a.m. at Happy Valley; and not on the 9th inst. as previously notified.

DO YOU COUGH?
DON'T overstrain the fine membrane of your throat in trying to decide the plague, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy" will cure the cough that is coming to you, and save you the trouble of doctoring.

FOOTBALL.
SECOND DIVISION LEAGUE.
R. E. (RESERVE) v. KOWLOON.
In Saturday's match against the R.E. Reserve the Kowloons gratified their supporters by maintaining their fine form. In spite of the fact that they were playing against men of bigger build, they managed to put up an excellent game and secured a draw of one goal each. Following steady pressure in front of the soldiers' stand in the opening stages of the game, Knight succeeded in sending in a goal which beat the custodian. The soldiers tried to equalise but no further scoring was made until the second half of the game when Saker, the inside left, scored the equaliser for the reserves. Play was very even. There was some heated discussion in the second half, the soldiers maintaining that some of the officials had not been taken notice of.

ST. JOSEPH'S v. SOUTH CHINA.
Judging by the crowd that witnessed this game, the match was the most popular one of the season. There were over two thousand spectators, mostly Chinese, who had come to see their countrymen secure the victory. The game was excellently played throughout and there was no rough play to mar it. The Chinese were smarter on the ball than their opponents who, however, were as smart in robbing them of it. The Collegians had the best of the opening exchanges, but their shots before the goal were wild and lacked the necessary punch. They forced three corners in succession and had half-chances in not scoring. In his eagerness to stop his opponent, one of the Collegians fouled and a free kick was awarded. K. S. took the kick and shot straight for the goal. Omas jumped up to save, but owing to the sun shining in his eyes he misjudged and the ball passed between his fingers and the bar and into the net. In the second half the Collegians did their utmost to equalise but they played a very swift and tricky game, and their opponents were not to be caught in spite of their efforts at the sanctuary in victory for the Chinese.

HONGKONG DEFENCE
CORPS

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATES.
Medical certificates for exemption from drill, etc., must be obtained from one of the Medical Officers of the Corps.

Warrant Officers will not wear belts and sidearms in walking out dress. All Warrant Officers' Jackets will have side pockets in future.

EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION.
An examination will be held early in April next.COMMUNICATION DRILL.
A Communication drill will take place at Headquarters on Tuesday, 8th instant, at 6.30 p.m. Officers and N.C.O.s of "A" and "B" Companies will attend. Other Officers and N.C.O.s may attend if they so desire. Infantry Training 1914, Sections 1 to 33, will be practised.LECTURE.
The Administrative Commandant will give a lecture at Headquarters on Thursday, 10th instant, at 5.30 p.m. on Map Reading and Field Sketching. All Officers and N.C.O.s of the Corps are invited to attend.OFFICERS' REVOLVER COURSE.
Practices 1 and 2 will be fired at Kennedy Road Range on Saturday, 12th instant, at 5 p.m. Medical Officers will attend to fire these practices.

Order for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

At Belchers Battery.

PARADE.

Tuesday, 8th instant—

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Full parade.

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. Full parade.

Thursday, 10th instant—

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Layers' and Sergeants' Class only.

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. Layers' and Sergeants' Class only.

Friday, 11th instant—

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Full parade.

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. Full parade.

Sunday, 13th instant—

Right and Left Half Companies. Sub-culture practice at Stonecutters.

Full particulars will be issued later.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

15th to 17th instant—

E. L. Manning nightly at Belchers and Lyemum. Prades as per Rosters posted at Headquarters.

Engine drivers at 5.30 p.m.

Electricians at 5.45 p.m.

OFFICERS' MEET FOR DUTY.

Belchers—2nd Lieut. Matthewman.

Lyemum—Captain James.

Stonecutters—Lieut. Hall.

PARADES FOR INSTRUCTION.

Classes for higher ratings at Belchers at 6 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, under Staff-Sergeants, Owendene and Parsons, R.E., Corporal Day and 2nd Corporal Norris, H.K.D.C.

Detail of duties at Lyemum from 2nd to 16th January, 1918, is posted at Headquarters.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

A Company.

Note—Dummy cartridges will be taken to all Musketry instruction parades. N.C.O.s and men who have completed their Musketry Course need not attend these parades.

Tuesday, 8th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 1 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

5.15 p.m.—No. 4 Platoon, at Headquarters. Section Drill.

Wednesday, 9th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 3 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 10th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 5, 6, 7 and 12, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 2 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 11th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 8 and 9, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 5 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Saturday, 12th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 10 and 11, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 6 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 13th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 12 and 13, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 7 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Monday, 14th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 14 and 15, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 8 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 15th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 16 and 17, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 9 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 16th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 18 and 19, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 10 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 17th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 20 and 21, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 11 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 18th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 22 and 23, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 12 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Saturday, 19th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 24 and 25, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 13 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 9th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 5 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 10th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 5, 6, 7 and 12, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 6 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 11th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 8 and 9, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 7 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Saturday, 12th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 10 and 11, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 8 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 13th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 12 and 13, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 9 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Monday, 14th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 14 and 15, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 10 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 15th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 16 and 17, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 11 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 16th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 18 and 19, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 12 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 17th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 20 and 21, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 13 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 18th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 22 and 23, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 14 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Saturday, 19th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 24 and 25, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 15 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 20th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 26 and 27, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 16 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Monday, 21st instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 28 and 29, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 17 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 22nd instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 30 and 31, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 18 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 23rd instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 32 and 33, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 19 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 24th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 34 and 35, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 20 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 25th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 36 and 37, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 21 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Saturday, 26th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 38 and 39, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 22 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 27th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 40 and 41, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 23 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Monday, 28th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 42 and 43, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 24 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 29th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 44 and 45, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 25 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 30th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 46 and 47, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 26 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 31st instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 48 and 49, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 27 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 1st instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 50 and 51, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 28 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Saturday, 2nd instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 52 and 53, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 29 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 3rd instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 54 and 55, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 30 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Monday, 4th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 56 and 57, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 31 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 5th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 58 and 59, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 32 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Wednesday, 6th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 60 and 61, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 33 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 7th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 62 and 63, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 34 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

Friday, 8th instant—

4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 64 and 65, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, drill order.

5.15 p.m.—No. 35 Platoon, at Scandal Point. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches.

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The following Table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of Jan., 1918.

Date.	Ends.	Begin.
Jan. 7th.	8.55 a.m.	6.07 p.m.
8th.	8.55	6.08
9th.	8.55	6.09
10th.	8.55	6.10
11th.	8.55	6.11
12th.	8.55	6.12
13th.	8.55	6.13
14th.	8.55	6.14
15th.	8.55	6.15
16th.	8.55	6.16
17th.	8.55	6.17
18th.	8.55	6.18
19th.	8.55	6.19
20th.	8.55	6.20
21st.	8.55	6.21
22nd.	8.55	6.22
23rd.	8.55	6.23
24th.	8.55	6.24
25th.	8.55	6.25
26th.	8.55	6.26
27th.	8.55	6.27
28th.	8.55	6.28
29th.	8.55	6.29
30th.	8.55	6.30
31st.	8.55	6.31

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day at 12 p.m.	On date at 12 p.m.	On date at 3 p.m.
20.21	30.30	30.38
59	59	59
38	38	38
Wind—	SE	SE
Direction of—	SE	SE
Force—	2	3
Weather—	b	b
Rain—	0.00	0.00

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1909-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

January 8th to 14th, 1918.

Station.	High Water.	Low Water.
Star Point	10.15 a.m.	4.15 p.m.
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